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Customer No. 22882

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gary K. Michelson

Serial No.: 09/593,591

Filed: June 13, 2000

For: MANUFACTURED MAJOR LONG
BONE RING IMPLANT SHAPED
TO CONFORM TO A PREPARED
INTERVERTEBRAL
IMPLANTATION SPACE

) Confirmation No.: 5619

) Group Art Unit: 3774

) Examiner: Paul B. Prebilic

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action dated April 1, 2009, the period for reply having been extended for three (3) months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicant submits the following remarks:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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Reply to Office Action 9-30-09